OUR NEWS BUDGET FOR OUR SATURDAY SUBSCRIBERS

MONDAY

The thirty-fourth annual list of hospitals approved by the American College of Surgeons, as of Dec. 31, 1951, has been issued, and once again includes four institutions in Prince Edward Island. They are the Charlottetown Hospital, the Prince Edward Island Hospital, the Provincial Sanatorium and the Prince County Hospital.

Wintry weather has apparently had no effect on persons planning next summer's holidays judging from the increased number of enquiries for literature received during the month of February by the Prince Edward Island Travel Bureau.

A total of 744 letters were received from Canada, the United States and other countries during the month. Of these 372 came from the various Canadian provinces, 321 from the United States and 51 from other countries. A further breakdown in the figures show that 66 of the Americans who requested information stated definitely they planned to visit the Island this coming summer. Fifty-five of the Canadians who wrote the Travel Bureau said they would be spending their vacation in Prince Edward Island this year.

The right to represent the Maritimes in the Dominion Inter-scholastic Debate finals was won by Saint Dunstan's University as it walked away with the Maritime debating crown defeating St. Thomas College of New Brunswick at the S. D. U. auditorium Saturday night.

The Dominion finals are scheduled to be held at Ottawa March 7 and 8.

The eloquent deliveries and excellent preparation of the affirmative side while defending the resolution "that Canada should have a Bill of Rights," by students Allan MacDonald of Charlottetown and Walter Reid of Hope River, were the deciding factors in S. D. U. being awarded a unanimous decision by judges E. Somerled Trainor, J. Frank McMillan, and Pius Callaghan.

March may have come in like a lamb in traditional fashion, but it was wringing the lion's tail as it did. The worst of the many storms this Province has suffered this season hit the Island Saturday night and all day Sunday to make the problem of transportation an almost impossible one.

A comparison with the snowfall of the winter of 1941-42, considered one of the worst in many years, shows that there were 124.8 inches of snow down during the months of November, December, January and February that year. So far this winter the same months have produced 106 inches.

Yesterday's storm brought the heaviest snowfall of the year to date, despite the terrific storms under which the Province has previously suffered. A total of over 12 inches of snow fell yesterday to demoralize all traffic and completely ruin the work of plows since Thursday.

Fire of undetermined origin Saturday night sent four Charlottetown people to hospital suffering from minor burns and the effects of smoke. One of them was Detective Sergeant A.J. (Tony) Lund who was overcome by smoke after an heroic rescue as he carried one of the victims from an upper storey in the house to the ground floor.

The blaze started on the second floor of a rooming house operated by Mrs. James Campbell, 99 Pownal street, and although there was little general damage, the fire being confined to the room in which it started, the effects of the resulting smoke proved too much for residents in the house at the time.

Suffering minor burns were Mrs. James Campbell, her daughter Miss Margaret Campbell, R.N. and Dr. Roland Howatt, who had been residing at the house for some time. Detective Sgt. Lund was overcome by smoke after fighting his way through the house in a successful effort to save Mrs. Campbell. All victims were still in the Charlottetown Hospital last night, but were reported as making excellent progress.

Dr. Dudley Stamp, world-renowned British geographer, toured Canada last year to make a survey of the teaching of geography in Canadian schools and universities. His tour was sponsored by the Canadian Social Science Research Council which released his published report last week. The report describes many Canadian educational practices and suggests remedies for some existing problems in schools and colleges.

A chapter of the report is devoted to "The Problem of the Small College". In the course of this chapter Dr. Stamp states:

"In many parts of Canada I was struck by the pride and loyalty of those who had received part of their education at Prince of Wales College, Charlottetown P.E.I. Yet this is a junior college covering only the first two years of a university course, not granting its own degrees, but sending on its students to the various universities where their own particular interests are most fully covered. The well-equipped laboratories, the well-qualified staff able to concentrate on a few well-arranged courses yet with freedom to develop their own research interests combine to make an institution with a real university flavour.

TUESDAY

The Province was still reeling yesterday from the effects of Sunday's terrific snowstorm as a heavy ground drift filled up cuttings as fast as they were opened.

The Canadian National Railways was having its share of trouble with practically all trains running from one to four hours late. The main lines were reported clear last night, but passing tracks had not been opened at yet.

The train to Borden yesterday morning was late arriving and the car ferry was held up until nearly 11.00 on its first crossing. Last night the train was two hours and 25 minutes late reaching here with the late arrival attributed to a delay at Cape Tormentine. This morning a wing plow will lead the way to Borden.

Other trains suffered similar delays with the Murray Harbor train not reaching Southport until three hours after the scheduled time. The train from Souris was four hours late when it was reported that trouble developed after snow got into the engine. When the train leaves Elmira this morning for the city it too will be headed by a wing plow.

Mr. Lester (Chuck) MacLeod, 36, a resident of Murray River, was found dead yesterday afternoon in a snow drift about an eighth of a mile from Murray River on the Point Pleasant road. He was warmly clad wearing overall pants, heavy jumper, cap and rubber boots.

The body was discovered by Mr. Cyrus MacLeod about 3 p. m. while he was travelling from Point Pleasant to Murray River. In his testimony given at the inquest last night at the public hall at Murray River, Mr. MacLeod said that he had noticed a dark object on the road which at first he thought a horse blanket, but on moving closer discovered that it was a person. He immediately continued to Murray River where he informed Glen MacKinnon and Sandy Dutney, who returned with him to the scene. Dr. M.L. Bonnell of Murray River was informed, who phoned the R.C.M.P., Montague detachment, who, because of the impassable roads were unable to get to the scene. The body was then moved to the public hall, where the inquest was held last night.

—An unusual and important exchange of management took place at Crapaud last week when two men, prominent in the business life of that area, changed positions of great responsibility with each other.

One of the men, Mr. Brent C. Wood, took over an important secretarial position after retiring from the ownership of a large general merchandising business that has had a gross turnover of approximately two million dollars in the last twenty-six years.

The other man, Mr. William Waddell, during the last five years has been secretary-treasurer of one of the largest creameries and cold storage plants in the province.

The change, effective on Wednesday last, occurred when Brent C. Wood, well known merchant, handed over the large retail general merchandise business that he has built up over the last twenty-six years, to William Waddell, who, since 1947, has been secretary-treasurer of the Crapaud Creamery and Cold Storage Co.

The unusual part of the story is that on the very day that Mr. Waddell took over Mr. Wood's business, Mr. Wood immediately took over Mr. Waddell's position as secretary-treasurer of the Creamery and Cold Storage Company.

Citizens last night heard another of the lively arguments which have featured all meetings of the new City Council, and as well they were treated to an unusual scene in which the Council attempted to raise the salary paid the Mayor while His Worship flatly refused to accept it.

The meeting dealt mainly with the eight points of discussion raised last week by Coun. Edwin C. Johnstone, Chairman of the Finance Committee. The question of salaries was introduced by the Councillor who stated it had long been felt that there was no real relation at present between the salary of $325 per year which is given the Mayor and the high cost of holding the position.

Coun. Johnstone expressed the opinion that the Mayor and Councillors should be paid and suggested $1,000 for the Mayor to cover expenses incurred and either $200 or $300 for each Councillor. However, he said that such a move invariably met with criticism and to avoid it he proposed that such salaries not be paid this term, only to the next Mayor and Councillors.

Mayor Refuses

After all Councillors had spoken on the subject Mayor J. D. Stewart stated emphatically: "I will not accept any salary as long as I am in this chair", but he agreed that the next incumbent should be paid. He personally favored paying $1,000 to the Mayor and $500 to each Councillor. Mayor Stewart in explaining his position said he went overseas because there was a job of work to be done in protecting the democratic way of life. When he returned he wanted to continue doing it and finally decided to enter civic politics as giving him a chance to do something for the city in which he was brought up.

He admitted that the job as Councillor and then Mayor took a far greater proportion of his time than most men cared to give and the salary received was nothing short of ridiculous.

WEDNESDAY

Just how much the farm labor situation in this Province will be affected this year by the expected labor migration to Labrador and other far northern Canadian points is one which may cause concern to employment officials.

Last year a large number of Island workmen, in both the skilled and unskilled classes, went to Labrador where large construction projects were in progress. This year it is believed that the movement might involve upwards of 500 to 600 Islanders. To a great extent they would come from the farms of the Province.

Although there is no great shortage of farm labor at the present time it is thought that approximately 200 men may be needed this spring when work is begun. But this total could be swelled considerably if men start leaving for greener industrial fields.

Shortages of labor are not felt

Mr. Harry Dawson, Augustine Cove, received word recently from the P. E. I. Potato Marketing Board that his sample of Green Mountain seed potatoes that underwent the Florida test is completely free of all virus disease.

It is believed that of the thirteen Island samples found free of disease, Mr. Dawson has the only Green Mountain seed that passed the test. The other twelve samples that were successful included Cobblers, Sebagos, Katahdin and Canso.

This test which was conducted at Olmstead, Florida, is made to determine freedom from virus diseases such as leaf roll, mosaic, mild mosaic, and spindle tuber.

These virus diseases can only be found when the potato plants are in leaf. By taking advantage of this testing service in Florida, the producer gains an advantage of one year in knowing the quality of the seed that he produces.

When they were harvested last fall, a sample of 600 tubers was taken from the potatoes after they were placed in the storage bins of anyone wishing to have his seed so tested. This sample was taken to Charlottetown, and with all other samples, forwarded to Florida.

It is reported unofficially that sometime in April, an Island-owned dragger will scout the waters north of Cape Breton, and adjacent to the Magdalene Islands in an effort to locate the early spring schooling grounds of haddock, cod, and other marketable fish. The dragger may also carry equipment with which to fish the tasty and highly commercial Rose fish, or sea perch which is always a good seller on the American market.

The areas which will be explored are beyond the reach or range of small off-shore fishing craft, and have not been seriously investigated in many years.

Any worthwhile discoveries will be highly advantageous to the growing fleet of Island draggers, which will total five this spring and possibly eight in late summer.

All of the Island owned draggers will once more be based at Souris, where considerable development and extension is being made to the fish handling facilities of the Eastern Fisheries, and the Eastern Cold Storage. Eastern Fisheries is once more—as it did last year—enlarging and improving its fish-processing building located on the Company's Wharf. Up town Eastern Cold Storage space is being greatly enlarged to keep step with the expected increase in fish landings, because of the upswing in the number of modern draggers.

The enterprising Eastern Fish-

The menace of Communism in the field of education was emphasized in a striking address delivered at Prince of Wales College last night by Dr. Watson Kirkconnell, President of Acadia University. Dr. Kirkconnell's address was the third in the annual series of Samuel N. Robertson Memorial Lectures and was heard by a large and appreciative audience. Taking for his theme "Totalitarian Education," the speaker cited chapter and verse from Communist authorities for his statements.

Dr. Frank MacKinnon, Principal of Prince of Wales College, welcomed the guests who included His Honor Lieutenant Governor T. W. L. Prowse, Premier J. Walter Jones, and Mrs. Robertson, widow of the late Dr. Robertson in whose honor the lecture series was instituted. Mayor J. D. Stewart, who was unable to be present, was represented by City Councillor George Keefe.

Dr. MacKinnon paid warm tribute to the late Dr. Robertson, portraying him as a great Canadian whom all remember with pride and gratitude, a great teacher who not only inspired his own students, but who left a rich heritage for future generations. He said there were teachers "Who are an abiding influence and presence in the minds of those whom they taught. These do rare and lasting service to their time and generation, and their works live after them. That is our tribute to Dr. Robertson."

This Province continued doggedly the fight to dig its way out of the huge snow drifts piled up in recent storms and added to by Sunday's big one.

Yesterday all Government plows were out bucking the piles of snow and managed to get the road to Montague open as far as Pownal. Plows were also on the St. Peter's Highway, but although it was plowed it is not open for traffic any further than to the York Road. Officials however, expect to have it open early today.

On Route 2A, the Borden road via Bonshaw was reported open about half-way to Crapaud. Last night the plow from Crapaud was working towards Bonshaw while the plow from Bonshaw was working towards the City. The main highway to Summerside and Borden was open only as far as Winsloe with heavy going being encountered all the way.

Canadian National Railways officials reported all main lines clear of snow and passing tracks being opened up. The train from here to Borden was 20 minutes late yesterday morning while the incoming train last night arrived here two hours and thirty minutes late. Officials said the delay was caused on the mainland.

There is no reason why Prince Edward Island crafts shouldn't be as good as Swedish crafts, stated Mr. Ellis Roulston, director of the Mt. Allison University Department of Applied Arts when addressing a group at the Charlottetown Hotel on Monday evening on the subject of "Handicrafts in Sweden." Swedish crafts are among the outstanding in the world and Mr. Roulston has recently returned from a sixteen month visit to Sweden to study its crafts.

"The Swedes use materials such as you have yourselves", he said. "They make a great deal of use of birch; their clay is much like yours and their wool is comparable in texture to the wool produced here in Prince Edward Island. As a matter of fact, not only other Canadian provinces, but even some centres in the United States draw upon Prince Edward Island sources for their wool and we can't understand why you don't make more use of it yourselves."

The occasion of Mr. Roulston's address was the opening of the exhibition of handicrafts from across Canada which has been organized by the Prince Edward Island Arts and Crafts Guild with the assistance of the provincial branches of the Canadian Handicrafts Guild in Alberta and Quebec, the Handicrafts Division of the Nova Scotia Department of Trade and Industry, the Saskatchewan Arts Board, the Travel Bureau and the Jubilee Guild of St. John's, Newfoundland, the Homecraft Shop of Charlottetown, and individual craftsmen in New Brunswick and Ontario. Work from Manitoba and British Columbia was also invited but it was not possible to have it sent at this time.

THURSDAY

Approximately 40 name plates will be needed for the various intersections to indicate the streets in the Parkdale area, it was announced last night at the monthly meeting of the Parkdale Men's Association. The District Improvement Committee of the Association is investigating the possibility of obtaining the plates and although some estimates were offered last night it was decided to study the matter further.

Prince Edward Island led all Provinces in Canada in the percentage of Grade A hogs marketed through inspected plants during the month of January, according to an official report received from the Department of Agriculture. The average for this Province was almost 20 per cent higher than that for Canada as a whole.

The percentage figures for the Provinces were: P.E.I. 48.9; N.S. 36.1; N.B. 33.1; Que. 27.9; Ont. 23.2; Man. 23.1; Sask. 26.0 Alta. 24.4; B.C. 27.0; Average 29.2.

In several daring emergency flights Mr. Elton Woodside, known locally as the flying farmer, piloted his single-engined Fleet Canuck aircraft into the ice-bound harbor of North Rustico yesterday to evacuate four hospital cases, a newly born infant, two confinement cases and another girl suffering from an undefined illness.

The air rescues were made necessary by the recent snowstorms which have completely blocked the road in from Hunter River. The only means of transportation other than by air is by horse and sleigh.

A suggestion that all swine producers here should make an effort to have all their market hogs yield at least 150 lbs. hot dressed weight in order to secure government premiums was made by Mr. W. H. Clay, Senior Livestock Fieldman.

When asked for an observation of the recent change in the Federal hog premium policy Mr. Clay said that on and after March 4, and while the new system is in operation the Government will not pay premiums on hogs dressing under 150 lbs hot dressed weight. He added that while the $2 premium is now in effect for A-type hogs weighing from 150 lbs to 180 lbs hot weight and the $1 premium covers B-type hogs weighing over a 150 lbs hot weight, the packers will continue to apply the usual discounts on hogs dressing over 170 lbs hot weight.

FRIDAY

Chief of Police Peter White announced yesterday that owing to three sudden deaths that have occurred in Summerside since last Friday, and other persons presently in hospital for treatment, it would appear that they must be drinking a liquid which contains something of a poisonous nature.

Chief White issued an urgent warning to all, to be very careful in regard to anything they may be consuming which has any relation to alcohol.

During the day members of the Police Department were busy conducting various investigations in respect to these poisonings, and as part of these investigations, samples of shellac were obtained by the police, from every dealer in the town, and will be taken to Charlottetown tomorrow to be analyzed. —S.

The two government plows that were dispatched to open a road through to the village of North Rustico via Portage Road were reported last night as nearing South Rustico, a distance of approximately 5 miles from their goal.

Officials of the Government Garage stated that considerable difficulty had been experienced in trying to push through the heavy drifts and that the tractor and truck plow had only managed to gain approximately one half mile towards their goal as the result of a day's steady plowing.

It was also announced that another plow had been sent from Hunter River in an attempt to open the paved road from there into the small community.

A spokesman of the Rustico community stated that the situation has improved greatly and that their condition is no longer critical. A steady flow of fuel and supplies is being brought in from nearby Hunter River by six horse teams and sleighs which will provide ample fuel and foodstuffs for the community until the roads are again open for travel.

At the regular monthly meeting of the Summerside Board of Trade held last evening in the Town Hall with the President, Mr. A.S. Hopkins, presiding, the members unanimously agreed to support the stand of the people of Bedeque area to have the Borden-Summerside highway come through Central Bedeque. The meeting was addressed by representatives from Bedeque, Messrs. T.J. Inman, John Wright and Ralph Callbeck and they brought forcibly to the attention of the Board the reasons why the road from Borden to Summerside be continued along the route of the present highway to Central Bedeque and thence to Summerside.

The Board unanimously passed a resolution that the Summerside Board of Trade strongly recommend that the Summerside-Borden highway, connecting with the Trans Canada Highway follow the most direct route, via Central Bedeque corner to Summerside.

Copies of the resolution are to be forwarded to Premier J. Walter Jones, the Minister of Public Works and to all the members of the Legislature in Prince County.

BIRTHS

THOMSON—At the Prince Edward Island Hospital on February 12th, 1952, to Mr. and Mrs. David Thomson, a son, James Albert Dawson. 10 lbs. 1 oz.

FRASER—At the Kings County Hospital, February 29th, 1952, to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fraser, Georgetown, a son, Herbert Garth 9 lbs.

O'BRIEN — At the Kings County Hospital, February 29th, 1952, to Mr. and Mrs. Henry O'Brien, Cardigan, a daughter. 6 lbs. 2 ozs.

AFFLECK—At the Prince County Hospital, February 13th, 1952, to Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Affleck, Lower Bedeque, a son, Leslie Douglas.

MacKAY—At P. E. I. Hospital, March 1, 1952, to Mr. and Mrs. Sterling (Ginger) MacKay, a daughter.

MUTCH—At the Prince Edward Island Hospital, Feb. 26, 1952, to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mutch, Earnscliffe, a son.

JOHNSTON—At the P. E. Island Hospital, March 1st, 1952, to Mr. and Mrs. Clive E. Johnston, City a daughter, Margaret Jane.

SHEA—At the Prince County Hospital on Thursday, February 28th, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Shea, Kinkora, a son, 8 lbs, 9 ozs.

CREED—At Grace Maternity Hospital, Halifax, on Saturday, March 1st, 1952, to Mr. and Mrs. Murray P. Creed (nee Helen Annand) a son, 7 lbs, 13 ozs.

FULLERTON — At Hotel Dieu Hospital, Moncton, N. B., February 12th, 1952, to Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Fullerton nee (Viola Toole) a daughter, Elizabeth Gail.

COLES—At the P. E. Island Hospital, February 27th, 1952, to Mr and Mrs. Keith Coles (nee Norma Tremere), North Milton, a daughter, Brenda Arlene. 6 lbs. 13 ozs.

DOUGLAS—At Toronto, on February 16th, 1952, to Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Douglas (nee Mae Douglas) a son, 8 lbs. 1½ ozs. Harvey Russell.

HARVIE—At the Prince County Hospital on Saturday, March 1st, to AC. 1 and Mrs. Allan Harvie, a son, Curtis Leslie, 7 lbs, 12 1/2 ozs.

MacDONALD — At the Charlottetown Hospital on March 3rd, 1952, to Mr. and Mrs. Reggie MacDonald, Peakes Station, a son, James Ian.

MacFARLANE — At the Prince County Hospital on March 4th, to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph MacFarlane, Summerside, a daughter.

DAWSON—At the Prince County Hospital on Monday, February 25th, 1952, to Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Dawson, Albany, a son. Brian Clifford, 9 lbs. 5 ozs.

MARRIAGES

CAMPBELL-CURTIS — At the Central Christian Church Manse, March 5th, 1952, by Rev. M. D. Dunbar, Mildred Eileen Curtis, formerly of Summerside, now of Charlottetown and Donald MacQueen Campbell, formerly of Montague now also of Charlottetown.

DEATHS

WHITE—At Hampshire on March 3, 1952, Mrs. Henry White in her 86th year.

MacDONALD — Suddenly at 43 Pownal St., on March 4, 1952, Marie MacDonald in her 64th year.

BEAIRSTO—At Yarmouth Hospital, N. S., on March 3, 1952, Mrs. Mary Beairsto in her 56th year, formerly of Freetown, P. E. I.

MacKENZIE—At 51 Elm Ave., March 3, 1952, Mrs. Catherine MacKenzie in her 96th year.

TAYLOR—At the Prince County Hospital March 1st, Theo. Taylor in his 73rd year.

THOMPSON—At her home on Spring Street, Summerside on March 2nd, Jane E. Thompson, wife of George T. Thompson in her 62nd year.

GRADY—At the Prince County Hospital on Saturday, March 1st, John H. Grady in his 48th year.

McKINNON—At the home of her daughter, Mrs. Maurice Gaudet, Miscouche, on March 1st, Mrs. Frank MacKinnon in her 51st year.

AITKIN—At the Prince County Hospital on Thursday, March 6th, Douglas Aitken, in his 31st year.

GLEN ROY SCHOOL

Honor Roll for the month of February.

Grade IX.—1. Teresa McKearney

Grade VIII.—1. Louis Lund; 2. Charles Fisher; 3. Maurice Mullen

Grade VI.—1. Joe McNally; 2. Vincent McAllister and Leonard Bagloe; 3. Margaret MacDonald.

Grade V.—1. Patricia McLaren 2. Joyce McKinnon; 3. Florence Baglole.

Grade IV.—1. Jeanne Lund; 2. Richard Mitchell; 3. Vincent Fisher and Mervin McNally.

Grade III.—1. Gloria MacDonald and Mervin McNally.

Grade II.—1. Gloria Mitchell; 2. Raymond McBride.

Grade I.—1. Mary McNally; 2. Rita Lund; 3. Joan Evans and Mary Fisher.

Teacher—Helen S. F. Gillis

TOUGH ON BOOKIES

LONDON — (CP) — The high cost of living is hitting small independent bookmakers. Annual report of the Westham Police Court clerk noted that bookies requested time to pay fines imposed for making bets on the street, whereas in former years they paid on the spot.

Quickies by Ken Reynolds

"Here's a yachting cap in the Guardian Want Ads would that help?"

There Ought To Be A Law By Fagaly And Shorten

OUR BOARDING HOUSE Major Hoople

OUT OUR WAY By J. R. Williams